

IDAHO BOARD OF ACUPUNCTURE
Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses
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Board Meeting Minutes of 10/29/2021

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Gretchen A Huettig - Chair
Kameron Schott
Margret J Blair

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: John Downey

DIVISION STAFF: Anne Lawler, Bureau Chief – Occupations
Julie Eavenson, Board Support Supervisor
John Price, Investigative Unit Manager
Yvonne Dunbar, General Counsel
Cesley Metcalfe, Team Lead

OTHERS PRESENT: Lance Giles, The Giles Group, LLC

The meeting was called to order at 2:31 PM MDT by Gretchen A Huettig.

INTRODUCTIONS

Ms. Lawler introduced herself as the Bureau Chief; Yvonne Dunbar as the General Counsel; and John Price as the Investigations Program Manager for the Occupational Licenses Bureau of the Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ms. Blair made a motion to approve the minutes of 1/22/2021, 2/26/2021, and 4/9/2021. It was seconded by Ms. Schott. Motion carried.

LAWS AND RULES

Ms. Lawler presented a legislative update. The Board's rules are currently temporary because the Legislature failed to pass a concurrent resolution. The rules will move to pending and will be presented to the Legislature for review during the 2022 legislative session.

DIVISION UPDATES

Ms. Lawler informed the Board that the Division continues to work on reorganizing staff and resources to create greater efficiencies for the 48 boards that are now part of the three Bureaus under the Division umbrella. She also stated that the Division will be moving into its permanent building next summer and that when health and safety conditions allow face to face meetings, the boards will hold hybrid meetings to facilitate virtual access for the public and Board members who may otherwise be unable to attend.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Ms. Eavenson gave the financial report, which indicated that the Board had a cash balance of \$55,241.08 as of 6/30/2021.

DIVISION BUSINESS

The Board reviewed the To Do List and no action was taken.

NEXT MEETING

Ms. Schott made a motion to schedule the next meeting for February 4, 2022 at 1:00 MST and the following meeting for May 6, 2022 at 1:00 MDT. It was seconded by Ms. Blair. Motion carried.

CONFERENCE REQUESTS

The Board discussed the upcoming 2022 Federation of Associations of Regulatory Boards (FARB) Forum. No action was taken.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Board reviewed correspondence from Nicki Chopski regarding the authority of health professionals to prescribe and administer opioid antagonists. No action was taken.

COMPLAINT MEMORANDUM

Ms. Lawler gave the investigative report, which is linked above.

CONTINUING EDUCATION COURSE APPLICATION

Ms. Schott made a motion to approve the Idaho Acupuncture Association's course, Pearls of Wisdom: Gems Found Amongst Our Own, for 10 hours of Category 1 and 5 hours of Category 2 continuing education hours. It was seconded by Ms. Blair. Motion carried.

CONTINUING EDUCATION COURSE APPROVAL PROCESS

Ms. Blair made a motion to delegate authority to Division staff to approve uncomplicated continuing education (CE) course applications that meet the requirements pursuant to Rule 307, and to contact a Board member for any questions that arise from CE course applications. It was seconded by Ms. Schott. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Schott made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:25 PM MDT. It was seconded by Ms. Blair. Motion carried.

Gretchen A Huettig, Chair